

ADVISORY

U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board

Attention: Assignment, Labor, Environment, News Editors

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PRESS CONFERENCE

CHEMICAL SAFETY BOARD IN AUGUSTA, GA., TO ANNOUNCE OFFICIAL ROOT-CAUSE FINDINGS AND FUTURE SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING BP AMOCO DISASTER OF 2001

RECOMMENDATIONS DESIGNED TO SAVE LIVES, PREVENT FUTURE ACCIDENTS

When: Thursday, May 23, 2002, 10 a.m.

Location: Radisson Riverfront Hotel Augusta, Walsh Room

Two 10th Street, Augusta

Who: Chemical Safety Board Member Isadore (Irv) Rosenthal, Ph.D.

Lead Investigator Stephen Selk

Purpose: Board member Irv Rosenthal and lead investigator Stephen Selk, will be in

Augusta, Ga., on May 23, 2002, to announce the final, Board-approved

findings and recommendations in the investigation of the fatal explosion and fire that killed three BP Amoco plant workers in Augusta on March 13, 2001. **Dr. Rosenthal and Investigator Selk will be available after the press conference for interviews and to discuss the team's analysis of the incident, including key findings and root and contributing causes.**

Contacts: CSB consultant **Don Critchfield** will be on hand to handle media inquiries. He

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About the CSB — The U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Board is a federal agency created by Congress to save the lives of workers and the public by determining root causes of chemical accidents and issuing safety recommendations. The CSB dispatches a team of investigators to the scene of a chemical accident to perform an initial investigation. The CSB may then decide to launch a full investigation. If a full investigation is conducted, CSB investigators work to determine the root causes of the accident. From the results of its investigations and studies, the CSB issues recommendations to agencies, organizations, companies and other organizations as appropriate. The CSB does not assess blame or levy fines. Its mission is to save lives by preventing future accidents.